



State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: COLOCKUM WILDLIFE AREA BOAT RAMP IMPROVEMENT

Description of Proposal: This project consists of a renovation of an existing boat launch ramp on the Columbia River located on the Colockum Wildlife Area. This ramp is currently a gravel launch with no concrete planks present and limited parking. This launch will be improved by placing new concrete planks and slightly decreasing the ramp angle into the river to facilitate launching. An additional parking area will also be constructed. The specific components of this project are:

1. Upgrade one gravel boat ramp at the Colockum WLA.
2. Armorflex concrete mat will be installed at both edges of the concrete plank ramp to protect the new ramp from premature degradation and undermining.
3. Install a vault toilet and an asphalt ADA parking pad next to the toilet.
4. Construct an ADA loading platform.
5. Pave sections of the boat turn around area and the lower portion of the access road with asphalt.
6. Clear and pave the upper parking area with asphalt.
7. Install mitigation measures including road abandonment and re-vegetation in Areas 1 and 2. Also perform native tree and shrub plantings in mitigation Area 3.

Proponent/Applicant:

Washington Dept of Fish and Wildlife
Capitol Programs & Engineering Division
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: The Colockum Boat Launch is reached by driving from Wenatchee on the Malaga/Alcoa Highway 13 to the junction of the Colockum Road and the Tarpiscan Road. Head south on the Tarpiscan Road and at the entrance to Colockum Wildlife Area turn east onto an unimproved gravel road to project site. This project is located in Chelan County, Washington, Section 29, Township 21 North, Range 22 East.WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental

checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **January 26, 2011**

Method of Comment:

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/>
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/> Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.¹

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Teresa Eturaspe at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

DATE OF ISSUE: January 12, 2011

SIGNATURE: 

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)
2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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